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According to available statistics the Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI) has determined that the consumption of added sugar in the U.S. has increased 25 percent since 1984.

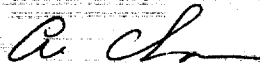
As pointed by CSPI, ingesting added sugar crowds out other more nutritious items in the diet.

In this same period the increase in consumption of fat has been negligible, due in no small part to mandatory food labeling and mass media articles on the adverse effects of fat on one's health.

As such, I would urge you to work for establishment of
(1) a maximum "Daily Reference Value" for added sugar in the diet of 40 grams (10 teaspoons), and
(2) require food labels to show how much added sugar the food item contains.

Thank you for your attention to my letter.

Yours truly,



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